Exercise answer key : Reading syllables, then words

Reading

Detailed answer key for the exercises on "Reading syllables, then words" (Reading), with step-by-step explanations.

Exercise 1

Split each word into syllables (a letter with its vowel or mark).

1. قَمَر
   → قَ – مَ – رْ
2. جَمَل
   → جَ – مَ – لْ
3. سَمَك
   → سَ – مَ – كْ
4. نَجْم
   → نَ – جْ – مْ
5. شَمْس
   → شَ – مْ – سْ
6. كِتَاب
   → كِ – تَا – بْ

Exercise 2

Read aloud, then write the pronunciation in Latin letters.

1. قَمَر
   → **qamar**
2. جَمَل
   → **jamal**
3. سَمَك
   → **samak**
4. نَجْم
   → **najm**
5. شَمْس
   → **shams**
6. كِتَاب

→ **kitāb**

Exercise 3

Write in Arabic, with all the marks, the word whose pronunciation is given.

1. qamar
   → **قَمَر**
2. jamal
   → **جَمَل**
3. samak
   → **سَمَك**
4. najm
   → **نَجْم**
5. shams
   → **شَمْس**
6. kitāb
   → **كِتَاب**

Exercise 4

How many syllables in each word? (one syllable per vowel)

1. قَمَر
   2 →
2. مَكْتَب
   2 →
3. مَدْرَسَة
   3 →
4. مِفْتَاح
   2 →
5. شَمْس
   1 →
6. تُفَّاح
   2 →

Exercise 5

Which special mark does the word contain? (sukun, shadda or long vowel)

1. نَجْم
   → **sukun**

2. مُعَلِّم
   → **shadda**
3. فِيل
   → **long vowel**
4. قُلْ
   → **sukun**
5. سِتّ
   → **shadda**
6. بَاب
   → **long vowel**

Exercise 6

Read aloud, then write the pronunciation in Latin letters.

1. تُفَّاح
   → **tuffāḥ**
2. عِنَب
   → **ʿinab**
3. بُرْتُقَال
   → **burtuqāl**
4. لَيْمُون
   → **laymūn**
5. رُمَّان
   → **rummān**

Exercise 7

Read these school words and write their pronunciation.

1. مَكْتَب
   → **maktab**
2. مَدْرَسَة
   → **madrasa**
3. كِتَاب
   → **kitāb**
4. قَلَم
   → **qalam**
5. مِسْطَرَة
   → **miṣṭara**

6. مِمْحَاة
   → **mimḥāh**

Exercise 8

Read these family words and write their pronunciation.

1. أَب
   → **ab**
2. أُمّ
   → **umm**
3. أَخ
   → **akh**
4. أُخْت
   → **ukht**
5. جَدّ
   → **jadd**
6. وَلَد
   → **walad**
7. بِنْت
   → **bint**

Exercise 9

Write in Arabic, with all the marks, the word whose pronunciation is given.

1. ab
   → **أَب**
2. umm
   → **أُمّ**
3. akh
   → **أَخ**
4. ukht
   → **أُخْت**
5. jadd
   → **جَدّ**
6. bint
   → **بِنْت**

Exercise 10

The syllables are given left to right: write the word in Arabic.

1. رْ – مَ – قَ
   → قَمَر
2. لْ – مَ – جَ
   → جَمَل
3. بْ – تَا – كِ
   → كِتَاب
4. بْ – تَ – كْ – مَ
   → مَكْتَب

Exercise 11

Syllable type: open (ends with a vowel) or closed (ends with a sukun)?

1. بَ
   → open
2. بَلْ
   → closed
3. مِنْ
   → closed
4. تَا
   → open
5. قُلْ
   → closed
6. نُو
   → open

Exercise 12

Write the word fully vocalised (vowels, sukun, shadda).

1. قمر
   → قَمَر
2. كتاب
   → كِتَاب
3. شمس
   → شَمْس

4. جمل
   → جَمَل
5. معلم
   → مُعَلِّم

Exercise 13

True or false?

1. A word is read from right to left.
   → **True**
2. You must pause between each syllable.
   → **False**
3. The word قَمَر has two syllables.
   → **True**
4. The sukun is a vowel.
   → **False**
5. You re-read the whole word in one breath.
   → **True**

Split to understand, then read the word in one breath. The sukun is not a vowel.

Exercise 14

Read aloud, then write the pronunciation in Latin letters.

1. أَحْمَر
   → **aḥmar**
2. أَزْرَق
   → **azraq**
3. أَخْضَر
   → **akhḍar**
4. أَبْيَض
   → **abyaḍ**
5. أَسْوَد
   → **aswad**
6. أَصْفَر
   → **aṣfar**

Exercise 15

Write in Arabic, with all the marks, the word whose pronunciation is given.

1. aḥmar

→ أَحْمَر

2. azraq
→ أَزْرَق
3. akhḍar
→ أَخْضَر
4. aswad
→ أَسْوَد
5. aṣfar
→ أَصْفَر

Exercise 16

Read aloud, then write the pronunciation in Latin letters.

1. وَاحِد
→ **wāḥid**
2. ثَلَاثَة
→ **thalātha**
3. أَرْبَعَة
→ **arbaʿa**
4. خَمْسَة
→ **khamsa**
5. سِتَّة
→ **sitta**
6. سَبْعَة
→ **sabʿa**

Exercise 17

Write in Arabic, with all the marks, the word whose pronunciation is given.

1. wāḥid
→ وَاحِد
2. thalātha
→ ثَلَاثَة
3. khamsa
→ خَمْسَة
4. sitta
→ سِتَّة
5. sabʿa

→ سَبْعَة

Exercise 18

Find the odd one out: the word with a different number of syllables.

1. قَمَر ـ جَمَل ـ شَمْس
   → شَمْس
2. كِتَاب ـ مَكْتَب ـ نَجْم
   → نَجْم
3. عِنَب ـ سَمَك ـ مَدْرَسَة
   → مَدْرَسَة
4. نَهْر ـ بَحْر ـ جَبَل
   → جَبَل

Exercise 19

Challenge: read these two-word groups and write their pronunciation.

1. قَلَمٌ جَدِيدٌ
   → qalamun jadīdun
2. بَابٌ كَبِيرٌ
   → bābun kabīrun
3. وَلَدٌ صَغِيرٌ
   → waladun ṣaghīrun
4. بَيْتٌ جَدِيدٌ
   → baytun jadīdun

Exercise 20

Read these nature words and write their pronunciation.

1. جَبَل
   → jabal
2. شَجَر
   → shajar
3. نَهْر
   → nahr
4. بَحْر
   → baḥr

5. وَرْدَة
   → **warda**

Exercise 21

Writing: choose five words you have learnt, write them, split them into syllables and read them aloud.

1. Five words split into syllables
   → قَ ـ مَ ـ رْ ، كِ ـ تَا ـ بْ ، شَ ـ مْ ـ سْ ، بَا ـ بْ ، جَ ـ مَ ـ لْ

Free answer.